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Steamer Dorcas, 1800 fresh mackerel.
Steamer Joppaite, 5000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. George E. Hagan, 3300 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Angielena, 2600 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Fitz E. Oakes, 472 fresh mackerel.
Steamer A. S. Willard, 2600 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Mabelle Bryson, 1500 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Winnie Kane, 1500 fresh mackerel.
Sch. M. Madeleine, 2000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Sarah C. Wharf, 1700 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Little Fannie, 3500 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Manomet, 6000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Hockomock, 2400 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Florence, 500 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Arrow, 1500 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Mabel Leavitt, 800 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Acacia, 4000 fresh mackerel.

BIG NETTING FARE.

Sch. Estelle S. Nunan Has 6000 Mackerel at New York.

Sch. Estelle S. Nunan arrived at Fulton Market this noon with a big trip, 6000 fresh mackerel in count.

Other netting arrivals at New York this noon are as follows:

Sch. Massasoit, 4000 fresh mackerel.
Sloop Georgiana, 400 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Fitz E. Oakes, 400 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Nellie T. Gaskell, 300 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Gem, 200 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Louisa, 500 fresh mackerel.

Finding Pollock.

The shore gasoline seining boats are now finding pollock and yesterday afternoon the new Mystery arrived from her maiden trip and the Herbert and Emma also came in full to the rails and with her seineboat full towing on behind. Both fares went to split.

Bait.

Frank Stevens at the Fort had 25 barrels of fresh alewives yesterday.

Halibut Sale.

The fare of sch. Lawrence Murdoch sold to the New England Fish Co. at 8 cents per pound for white and 5 cents for gray.

SEIZED BY A DEVILFISH.

A Diver's Thrilling Encounter with an Octopus.

Both Hauled to Surface After Monster Let Go of Rock.

Few men ever had such a thrilling encounter with a devilfish and lived to tell the tale as a man named Palmer, who was engaged as a diver on some repair work at Cape Town, South Africa. A steamer had collided with a pier and displaced several large blocks of concrete, which sank to the bottom of the harbor. The officials of the port at once set to work to recover the blocks and repair the pier. Divers were employed to fasten chains around the submerged blocks, that the latter might be hauled up by means of powerful cranes. Among these divers was Palmer. One day while engaged in putting a chain around a great seven-ton block he suddenly noticed a curious-looking object protruding from a cavity below the block.

The water was comparatively clear, and at that depth the diver was able to see around with ease.

Bending down, Palmer examined the object which had attracted his attention. He was just beginning to wonder what it could be when, without the slightest warning, it began to move toward him. A huge tentacle shot out from below the stone, moved swiftly sideways, and in an instant had seized his leg in a vicelike grip. Horrified, the diver staggered backward, but as he did so yet another great feeler appeared from under the masonry and alighted upon his arm, holding it helpless. Wildly the man struggled to free himself from the awful arms, but all in vain. Where the innumerable tiny suckers touched the naked flesh of his hand they stung and seared like electric wire and he felt himself being drawn slowly surely toward the dark hole under the stone, where lurked the hideous creature which owned those writhing arms.

Palmer is a big, burly man in the prime of life, and has faced danger in many forms in the course of his long experience. But for a moment or so the unutterable horror of his position held him spell-bound; even his brain seemed numbed.

Then slowly, with a gliding motion that was horrible to behold, the creature beneath the stone began to emerge. As it came out Palmer beheld with a shudder the cold, staring eyes and parrot-like beak of an enormous octopus or devil-fish!

TENTACLES CLOSE ON HIM.

Other tentacles now hovered around him, seeking a point of vantage where they could seize him. Desperately the tortured man strove to wrench himself free, but the more he struggled the tighter grew the grip of the sinuous coils which held him by arm and leg. Then, one by one, the remaining feelers settled around his body—cold, slimy, quivering masses, but irresistible in their strength.

It was useless to struggle—those slimy tentacles had the strength of bonds of steel. He had heard of divers, attacked by small devil-fish, boldly seizing their beaks and turning them inside out, for all the world like a stocking. But the great size and immense strength of this specimen put any such proceeding on his part entirely out of the question. How would death come? Would the awful creature crush him slowly out of human shape or would it tear his diving dress and so kill him quickly and mercifully?

Instinctively Palmer had kept one arm free from the encircling tentacles. He now noticed mechanically that the octopus had let go its hold of the masonry and had wrapped itself entirely around him.

The sight gave him courage. Had the creature anchored itself to the concrete it is probable that this tale would never have been written and that Palmer's name would have gone to swell the long list of those who have died while following the dangerous occupation of diving.

HAULED TO THE SURFACE.

Making a desperate effort to throw off the stupor of nausea and fear which benumbed his faculties, the diver reached up his free arm and pulled his signal cord with all his strength, whereupon the men above started to haul him up. The octopus made one effort to seize hold of the concrete, but it was just too late, and still clinging relentlessly to its prey was drawn to the surface.

The horror of the men above when they beheld the diver emerge from the water in the loathsome embrace of the great devilfish can be better imagined than described. While some dragged the now all but unconscious Palmer up the ladders others ran for hatchets and knives and a fierce attack was made upon the creature.

In spite of every onslaught, however, the quivering tentacles still clung obstinately to the diver, as though loath to relinquish him, and it was not until the creature had been pretty well hacked to pieces that, by exerting all their strength, the men were finally able to tear their comrade free and administer the restoratives of which he stood so much in need.

When the dead octopus was laid out on the pier it was at once seen to be of great size—the largest ever landed in South Africa, in fact, measuring no less than 11 1/2 feet across from tentacle tip to tentacle tip.

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SEINERS AT NEWPORT.

Schs. Saladin and Leander F. Could Land Small Fares.

Several Netters Arrived at Newport and New York.

A special to the TIMES from its Newport correspondent gives the following fresh mackerel arrivals there this morning:

Netters Crescent, Lizzie Foster, Dart, Auger, Olive E., Martha, On Time, Jennie Gilbert, Louis Warren, Barbara, Torpedo, Magnesia, Briganza, Betsy Ross, Mary Emerson, Rattler, Success, Valkyria with from 100 to 400 fresh mackerel each.

Also at Newport this morning are the schs. Leander F. Gould with 30 barrels of fresh mackerel and sch. Saladin with 25 barrels.

At Newport yesterday the following netters landed fares of fresh mackerel:

Sloop Maud S., 800 fresh mackerel.
Sloop On Time, 100 fresh mackerel.
Sloop Olive E., 50 fresh mackerel.
Sloop Olga, 50 fresh mackerel.

Ten netters were at New Bedford with no fish on Monday. The weather was bad and there was no chance to fish.

The Yarmouth steamer at Boston Monday brought one large mackerel in a box of salmon, the first mackerel from there this season.

At New York this morning the netters landed the following fine fares:

Sch. Hes'er, 3000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Leone, 1500 fresh mackerel.
Steamer Princess, 1300 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Marguerite, 1200 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Mildred, 1500 fresh mackerel.
Sloop Azorean, 1100 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Mettacommet, 1500 fresh mackerel.
Sloop Dauntless, 1000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Motor, 2200 fresh mackerel.
Sch. W. E. Sennett, 1200 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Olive May, 2500 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Queen of the Sea, 1700 fresh mackerel.

Schs. Annie Greenlaw and Priscilla Smith were at Halifax, N. S., on Monday.

Schs. Margie Smith, Speculator, Vera, Slade Gorton, Monitor, Ralph L. Hall, Lottie G. Merchant, Diana, Electric Flash, Ingomar, Kentucky, Shenandoah, Mary E. Harby, Lena and Maud and John S. Presson were at Halifax on Tuesday.

The first netting trip of the season at New Bedford came in there Monday. The sch. Mildred and Blanche having 425 fresh mackerel taken off Block Island.

The County Line trap at Yarmouth, N. S., took three mackerel yesterday.

Maiden Trip.

The new kn ckabout schooner Shepherd King arrived at Portland yesterday from her maiden trip, with 35,000 pounds of fresh fish.

The schooner came in on account of the hearing which is to begin today before Judge Hale, in the suit being brought by Capt. Brigham to recover damages on account of the loss of his former well known schooner Vidia M. Brigham in collision with the ocean tug Edward Luckenberg off Portland last year.

Bait at Monomy.

Atwood & Co. wire that there are 400 barrels of herring in traps at Monomy and also taking 40 barrels of squid daily.

Halibut Sales.

The fare of sch. Cavalier sold to the New England Fish Co. at 8 cents per pound for white and 5 cents per pound for gray.

The fares of schs. Priscilla and Egalantine sold to the American Halibut Company at the same figures.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Cavalier, Bird Rocks, 10,000 lbs. cod, 50,000 lbs. halibut.
Sch. Eglantine, Georges, 14,000 lbs. cod, 9000 lbs. halibut, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Priscilla, Georges, 4000 lbs. cod, 3000 lbs. halibut.
Sch. Albert W. Black, shore.
Sch. Almeida, Rips, 23,000 lbs. coa.

Today's Fish Market.

Board of Trade prices for salt and fresh fish:
Salt fish, handline Georges cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for medium; trawl Georges cod, \$4.25 for large, \$3.50 for medium; trawl Bank cod, \$3.62 1-2 for large, \$3.37 1-2 for medium; hake, \$1.25; pollock, \$1.25; haddock, \$1.75; large cusk, \$2.50.
Fresh fish, large cod, \$2.12 1-2; medium cod, \$1.62 1-2; all cod caught to the eastward of LaHave bank, \$1.87 1-2; medium \$1.50 cusk, \$1.62 1-2; haddock, \$1.00; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, 70c; snapper codfish, 60 cts.; snapper cusk, 60 cts.
Rips cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for mediums and \$2.25 for snappers.
Fresh halibut, 8 cts. per lb. for white and 5 cts. per lb. for gray.
Fresh mackerel, 15 1-2 cents each.
Salt southern caught mackerel, \$15 per bbl

Boston.

Sch. Mary C. Santos, 30,000 haddock, 3000 cod.
Sch. Mattie D. Brundage, 1000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 10,000 hake.
Sch. Stranger, 5000 haddock, 2000 cod.
Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, 6300 haddock, 1600 cod, 500 hake.
Sch. Flora J. Sears, 12,000 haddock, 8900 cod.
Sch. Rose Cabral, 15,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 1500 hake.
Sch. Olive F. Hutchings, 3000 haddock, 500 cod, 15,000 hake.
Sch. Joseph P. Johnson, 13,000 haddock, 8000 cod.
Sch. Maude F. Silva, 5000 haddock, 12,000 cod.
Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 1000 haddock, 3800 cod, 9000 hake.
Sch. Two Forty, 13,000 haddock, 600 cod.
Sch. Annie Perry, 12,000 haddock, 8000 cod.
Sch. Yankee, 1000 haddock, 7000 cod, 7000 hake.
Haddock \$3.80 to \$4, large cod \$4.50 to \$3.60, market cod, \$1.75 to \$2, hake 70 cts. to \$1.50.

HAD 128 FISHERMEN ABOARD.

All Hope Abandoned for French Vessel and Crew.

A cable from St. Servan, France, yesterday says:
All hope has been practically given up here for the safety of the three-masted sailing vessel Cousins Reunis, which left this port 80 days ago for St. Pierre, Miquelon, off the coast of Newfoundland. She had on board 128 fishermen, and great grief prevails here among the missing men's families, who have begun to put on mourning.

Herring at Chatham.

A despatch to the TIMES this afternoon says there are 400 barrels of herring at Monomy, Chatham, and 40 barrels of squid daily.

FROM THE NORTHWARD.

Sch. Cavalier Arrives with Big Trip of Halibut.

New Craft Has Made Big First Year's Record.

Sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert Porper, arrived this morning with a fine fare consisting of 55,000 pounds of halibut and 10,000 pounds of salt cod.
The craft sailed from here April 8, and did not find good fishing at the start. She used up her baiting and Capt. Porper decided to go to the Magdalenes for a fresh baiting and try to get to the northward, a favorite fishing ground of his at this season of the year. The baiting was secured and two weeks ago this morning they made their first set up off the Bird Rocks.
A week's fishing netted the fine trip stated above and the craft started for home. It was impossible to get out by St. Paul's island and around Cape North on account of the great barrier of ice, so the craft was obliged to hug the Magdalenes and come as she went, through the Strait of Canso.
Capt. Porper saw no other halibuters where he was fishing, but spoke some of the salt bankers. The latter had been unable to get to Scatteri and on the Cape North grounds on account of the ice, and were fishing off Limbo Cove and from there were strung out quite a ways to the westward.
It is a year ago yesterday since sch. Cavalier started on her maiden trip. In that time she has been on a salt trip, a Newfoundland herring trip and several halibut trips, which with the proceeds of this fine fare will give Capt. Porper the fine stock of about \$27,000 for his first year's work in the new craft. This is a splendid record and in keeping with the fine work which Capt. Porper has done year after year.
The Cavalier met with a mishap on the homeward voyage, being run into last night by one of the market fishing boats whose name the crew were unable to ascertain about 20 miles off Cape Ann. The accident was not serious and the Cavalier escaped with her mainsail torn. The other craft was apparently not damaged.

FINE CRAFT.

Added to Fleet of the Boston Shipping Co.

This Concern Will Have Ten Vessels by Fall.

The handsome new Boston sch. Susan and Mary, which was rigged and fitted here and sailed for her home port Monday afternoon, was inspected by hundreds at T wharf, Boston yesterday. She is for the Boston Fishing Co. from lines furnished by McManus.
The newcomer is one of the largest of the fishing vessels in size, and measures 121 feet 6 inches in length, 24 feet 2 inches beam and 11 feet 7 inches in depth of hold. She is fitted out with 10 dories and will carry 22 men, including the captain. Wilfred Roberts, who was in the sch. Fannie Belle Atwood with Capt. Henry Atwood, now agent for the Boston Shipping Company, will command the new vessel.

Knowing what sch. Fannie Belle Atwood can do, the owners of the Susan and Mary do not consider a trial trip necessary, and yesterday she was fitted out with trawls and provisioned, and this morning will sail for Boothbay, where she will take ice and bait and then go for her first trip shacking. After her return from this trip she will go into the market fishing.

The Susan and Mary makes the eighth vessel the Boston Shipping Company has in commission in the fishing fleet, and it has two more almost ready to launch. On June 10 they will launch at Essex sch. Georgianna, and about the middle of July from the same yard will launch the auxiliary sch. Elizabeth Silsbee. Sch. Georgianna, it is said at T wharf, will be commanded by Capt. Freeman Mason, now in charge of sch. Richard Wainwright, and sch. Elizabeth Silsbee will sail under Capt. Joshua W. Stanley, now in command of sch. Lizzie M. Stanley.

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SCH. SALADIN AT NEWPORT.

Makes Second Trip Inside of Twenty-four Hours.

Many Netters at Fulton Market with Fair Trips.

Sch. Saladin, Capt. Flar McKown, arrived at Newport this morning with 60 barrels of fresh mackerel. The Saladin was in there yesterday morning with 25 barrels, so she has got her last fare in short order.

At New York this morning are the following netters with fares of fresh mackerel:
Sch. Nellie Grant, 1000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. C. A. Dolliver, 800 fresh mackerel.
Sloop Diana, 900 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Julietta, 1800 fresh mackerel.
Sloop Wodan, 1400 fresh mackerel.
Sch. M. E. Eaton, 600 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Blanche Irving, 3400 fresh mackerel.
Sloop Albion, 1700 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Ranger, 900 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Laughing Waters, 1000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Evangeline, 2000 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Gracie Smith, 1800 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Priscilla, 1500 fresh mackerel.
Sloop Louise, 1600 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Ericsen, 1600 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Nelson, 2500 fresh mackerel.
Sloop Defender, 1500 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Actor, 3500 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Cherokee, 1500 fresh mackerel.
Sloop Bella, 530 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Lillian, 1500 fresh mackerel.
Sch. Natalie B. Nickerson, Capt. John S. Seavey, arrived at Newport yesterday afternoon with 3000 fresh mackerel in count.
Sch. J. W. Latham was at New Bedford Tuesday with 200 fresh mackerel taken off Block Island. The weather there continues bad.

The netters off Newport report that lots of small dodfish have made their appearance.

Fresh mackerel brought 22 cents each at New York yesterday. Sales at Newport were 20 cents each.

SEIZED 3500 SHORT LOBSTERS.

Maine Fish Warden Makes Large Haul.

A Maine fish warden seized 3500 short lobsters at Cliff Island, near Portland yesterday. No one was taken into custody, but if the guilty parties are caught the penalty is \$1 per lobster.